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Women's Land Army OF THE U.S. CROP CORPS Needs Workers

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10,000 NEEDED FOR YEAR-ROUND WORK

50,000 NEEDED FOR SEASONAL WORK

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THE WOMEN'S LAND ARMY . . .

includes women who enroll to help farmers meet war food-production goals. It is a part of the U. S. Crop Corps. In the Land Army are women who enroll—

1. For year-round labor.
2. For crop-season work of 1 month or more.

YEAR-ROUND WORKERS . . .

do general farm work. This may include dairy and poultry work—such jobs as milking cows; feeding livestock; keeping production records on cows and hens; cleaning and washing dairy utensils; gathering, candling, and packing eggs; and other farm chores.

SEASONAL WORKERS . . .

do seasonal jobs such as planting, cultivating, and harvesting crops. They enroll for at least 1 month to be members of the Women's Land Army

TRAINING INCLUDES . . .

for year-round workers,

2 to 6 weeks at an agricultural school or college;

for seasonal workers,

short preliminary training or "on the job" instruction.

THE WOMEN LIVE . . .

at the farm home usually, if they are year-round workers, for they must get started early in the morning. Many year-round workers are placed individually on farms, although some work in pairs or small groups.

CAMPS ARE PROVIDED . . .

for many seasonal workers. For such jobs as picking large crops of fruits and vegetables or transplanting tomatoes, a large number of workers are needed on a single farm. They will often be housed in camps and work in crews.

ALL WORKERS ARE PAID . . .

the prevailing wage for the locality, the experience and skill of the worker being considered. They are paid by the farmer.

THE UNIFORM . . .

includes dark-blue overalls, a light-blue long-sleeved shirt, and a cap combining light and dark blue. The women themselves buy these at $6.20 for the three pieces. The WLA insignia are on the hat and overalls, and on an arm band which can be bought and worn separately. A dark-blue jacket at $2.50 and a short-sleeved shirt at $1.35 are optional. The uniform is available in sizes 14 to 44.

Authorized members of the Women's Land Army may purchase the uniform from the National Committee on Boys and Girls Club Work, 59 East Van Buren Street, Chicago, Ill.

Members will be certified by the county extension office. Each person joining the Land Army is entitled to wear the insignia—"WLA" in red letters on a white background. After a year's service, members will be eligible to wear the insignia with "WLA" in white letters on a red background.

WORK IN THE FARM HOME . . .

is done by some Land Army women to release farm women for work in the fields and around the farm.

WORKERS ARE PLACED . . .

on farms where they are needed, by county extension agents or their assistants, who will also keep in touch with the workers, ready to help and advise whenever needed.

WOMEN OF THE LAND ARMY . . .

are 18 years old or older; and they are in good health and strong enough to do hard farm work, and have a doctor's certificate to prove it.

FARM EXPERIENCE COUNTS . . .

in favor of applicants for the Land Army.

ADAPTABILITY TO FARM LIFE . . .

as shown by ability to work with animals, a knack with growing things, a love of the outdoors, will be considered. So list these qualities on your application under "Why do you wish to join the Women's Land Army?"

RECRUITING OF WORKERS . . .

is done *when* and *where* women are needed on farms. Organizations, both public and private, will be asked to tell city women of the opportunities for patriotic service in the Women's Land Army. Application blanks are available from the office of the county extension agents, the United States Employment Service, the local Defense Council, and other cooperating organizations in the areas where recruiting is being done. Watch the newspapers; listen to the radio for the local call.

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WAR TAKES FOOD

FOOD
for our fighting men.

FOOD
for our fighting allies.

FOOD
for workers at home.

We have the LANDS
to meet war production needs.
We need more HANDS.

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WOMEN'S LAND ARMY

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